

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Kevin Lynn Woster was born November 3, 1951, to Henry and Marie Woster on a modest, but storied grain-and-cattle farm in the shadow of Medicine Butte in Lyman County, as well as in the shadow of big brother Jim Woster; and,

*Whereas*, Kevin is the youngest child, and along with his brothers and sisters, have distinguished themselves in South Dakota in agriculture, journalism, and education; and,

*Whereas*, Kevin learned to love the outdoors and all its creatures during frequent forays into the Missouri River breaks while he was skipping school; and,

*Whereas*, Kevin honed his skills with a camera and a keyboard as editor of the Collegian at South Dakota State University and took those skills and a flair for fine writing to a series of jobs with daily newspapers on both borders of his home state; and,

*Whereas*, Kevin combined his love of the outdoors and his skills and talents with camera and keyboard into a long and successful career as the state's most prolific outdoor writer, whose work product has introduced thousands to the wonders of South Dakota's hunting, fishing, parks, and natural beauties; and,

*Whereas*, Kevin wholeheartedly embraced changing technology in his chosen profession, becoming a top-notch tweeter and bold, brassy blogger, showing an old dog can learn new tricks; and,

*Whereas*, Kevin's manic work ethic, ongoing competence with routine flashes of brilliance and sometimes genial manner have created an atmosphere of good cheer among his co-workers and the readership he serves. November 3, 2011, marks the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday of this unique individual:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 3, 2011, as

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in South Dakota, and I invite all South Dakotans who have been educated, informed, or simply moved by his writings to join me in wishing him many more productive years.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-eighth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Judy A. Larson, Exec. Asst.*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State